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## THE IRISH FIGHTING.

### Capture of Rebel Stronghold.

London, July 9.  
A Dublin official statement with regard to the capture of Blessington, the most formidable stronghold left to the rebels after their defeat in Dublin, and the base of their operations, says over a hundred were taken prisoner, including the leaders, A. Macdonnell and G. Boland, with most of their arms and ammunition. Others were dispersed in the Wicklow mountains to the south-east.  
An enveloping movement was carried out on a front of from 15 to 20 miles and almost complete encirclement was achieved by the troops, many of whom only arrived by train fresh from other strenuous operations. There were several casualties amongst the troops, the wounded including Commandant Dinnen. Some Volunteers were killed.

### National Successes.

London, July 9.  
The week-end was quiet in Dublin, but there were extensive operations in the Provinces, where the National troops captured many positions, especially at Co. Wexford, where fifty Irregulars were taken prisoner.  
Thirty-one Irregulars holding the Post Office at Ferns surrendered after a short resistance. Four Irregulars were wounded. The Volunteers are now holding the town.  
The Nationals occupied Enniscorthy, which the Irregulars evacuated, and the Nationals were also successful in operations in Dinegal, Louth, Leitrim, Roscommon, Queens County and West Meath. The situation in Cork is described as quite normal.

### Arms Discovered in Belfast.

London, July 9.  
The Police Constable, in the course of a raid for arms at Belfast, discovered eleven bombs, four rifles, nine revolvers, 200 rounds of ammunition and numbers of sets of equipment all stamped with the I.R.A. regimental numbers concealed in a slagheap.

## SOVIET AND PROPERTY.

### Official Statements May be Ignored.

Paris, July 9.  
The *Journal des Debats* publishes a message from the Hague stating that M. Krassin, in an interview with Sir Lloyd Graeme, declared that the official declarations of the Soviet delegation might be considered as null and void, adding that privately it would be possible to restore ninety per cent. of expropriated private property, although the delegation was obliged officially to refuse to admit it.

Other Daily and Special Telegrams on Pages 2 and 3.

## EUROPEAN VAGRANTS.

### Rounded Up by Police.

The question of unemployment in the case of foreigners left here by their ships is receiving attention from the harbour authorities. The presence here of such men has caused some trouble to the police, and an order for a round-up was carried out during the week-end, resulting in the detention of Horace Craig and Thomas Dixon, who to-day appeared before the Magistrate charged with vagrancy and, in the case of the former, with not paying for a chair which he engaged.

When Mr. Lindell asked the measures contemplated by the Harbour Master to deal with the defendants, Inspector Blackman, who prosecuted, said that it was desired that they be sent to the House of Detention until some arrangement could be made to send them away.

In connection with the second charge preferred against Craig, the defendant said that when he visited Tatamuk to look up his friend Dixon, who, however, had returned to the town before his arrival, he was given \$5 by a Mr. Notterham, who stays with Mr. Bone in charge of the water-works there, to pay for the chair he had engaged for the trip. On the way back, he somehow managed to lose the note. At the Wanchai Police Station, where he stopped to enquire for the whereabouts of Dixon, he was told, on giving his name, that enquiries concerning him had been undertaken by the Harbour Master. He was then detained.

In reply to other questions, Craig said that he had a sum of \$1.10 in his pocket, which should be adequate for the payment of the chair-coolies. On previous occasions he paid \$1 and the coolies appeared to be quite satisfied.  
His Worship made the order for the commitment of the defendant to the House of Detention and allowed him time up to one o'clock in which to pay the fare, which was fixed at \$2. This sum was duly paid.  
A similar order for the detention of Dixon was made, the

## DEATH OF MR. M. SENNET.

### Founder of Jewellery Firm.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Meise Sennet, founder of the well-known jewellery firm of Sennet Freres, who died in Paris yesterday.  
The deceased was the elder of the two brothers owning the business, and was well-known in Far East, especially in Shanghai, which he left for France some two years ago.  
Out of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Hongkong establishment of Mr. A. Weill (successor to Sennet Freres) was closed to-day.

## JAVA AERIAL DISASTER.

### Pilot and Journalists Killed.

Singapore, July 10.  
During the inaugural flight of the new Java air service between Weltevreden, Samarang and Sourabaya, planned by a private company, the Nilo aeroplane nose-dived from an altitude of 450 feet. The Turkish pilot and two Dutch journalists were killed and another journalist injured.

charge of being drunk and incapable, previously preferred as a second count against him, being withdrawn by Inspector Blackman in view of defendant's admission to the charge of vagrancy.  
Yet another defendant in a similar case was brought up by the same Inspector. This was Joseph Scott, concerning whose case there was an argument regarding the admission of such a charge in view of the fact that defendant had a sum of \$4 in his pocket. Looking up the Ordinance in question to refer to the clause reading "or without visible means of support", his Worship found defendant guilty, and committed him to the House of Detention.



Mrs. Lenglen.

Mrs. Mallory.

At Wimbledon, Mrs. Lenglen (France) retained the world's championship by defeating Mrs. Mallory (America) by 6-2, 6-0.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

### Interesting Cable Items.

Shanghai, July 9.  
Replying to telegraphic instructions from Peking, Sun Lieh-chen reports that he reached Kailash from Mukden on July 7th, and ordered the Taoyin immediately to prepare a full report regarding bandit activities at Chientao, adding that he is in full accord with the Government's policy on the matter and will make it his personal business to suppress the bandits as soon as possible.

The President and Cabinet have received telegrams from the gentry at Fukien expressing approval of the abolition of Tuchen-ships and disbandment, pointing out that when these measures are carried it will be necessary to appoint a strong and able Civil Governor, for which post they consider Sah Chen-ping as most suitable.  
Li Chieh-shan, Wu Pei-fu's Chief of Staff, left Peking for Pootung yesterday, where he will hold an inquiry regarding the mutiny.

## ANGLO-CHINESE EDUCATION TRUST.

### Voluntary Winding-Up.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Anglo-Chinese Education Trust Company, Ltd., was held at the offices of Messrs. Lin-tead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, this morning to consider a resolution for voluntary winding-up.  
Those present were Messrs. Leung Yan-po (Chairman), Leung Luen-wing, Sooi Pui-tien, Pang Kan-sang, Chong Suk-pin, H. F. Mattingly, (Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, solicitors), and Sooi Pei-shao (secretary).  
The Chairman having translated the following resolution in Chinese, the same was submitted to the vote:  
That it is desirable to wind up this Company, and accordingly that this Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Harry Greenwood of the firm of Messrs. Lin-tead & Davis, be and he is hereby appointed the Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.  
This was carried unanimously. A confirmatory meeting will be held on the 31st inst.

## CONSIDERATE ROBBERIES.

### Give Pawn Ticket to Victim.

A case in which robbers showed unwonted consideration for their victims is reported. It is stated that a Chinese who lives at Yamutai strayed into the deserted locality of Chungwa Street, near the Government Civil Hospital, last night and there encountered three men who seized him by the wrist and relieved him of a gold watch. A chopper held in a very threatening manner kept him from uttering any protest or calling for help. Some compassion must have then touched the robbers for they promised that if he would behave himself and keep very quiet, they would not only spare his life but would return the pawn ticket when they had disposed of the watch by pawning it. The promise was fulfilled, for the friend who was with the victim at the time of the robbery and who, like the latter, also sustained some personal loss, was surprised when on going towards the Yamutai ferry at 11 o'clock, he found himself spoken to by the same robbers and the pawn ticket was given into his charge to return to the victim. The amount on the ticket showed that the watch had been pawned for \$10.

A JAPANESE RAILLESS CAR LINE.  
The Asahi reports a proposal to run railless electric cars between Shukugawa on the Hankyu line and Koroyen, by way of Koroyen station on the Hanshin electric line. In connection with this it may be noted that Messrs. S. Nagata, K. Aiko, T. Nakayama and others in the locality some time ago applied for permission to lay a motor line between Shukugawa Station and the Shukugawa Station and this was recently sanctioned by the authorities concerned. The promoters later planned to combine this section, covering about 11 1/2 miles, with that above mentioned, with a mileage of 3 1/2 miles, to the railless system. At present, our contemporary adds, Mr. Maeda Fusanosuke of the Nishinomiyu Land Company, is chiefly interested in the undertaking. Mr. Maeda is desirous of inaugurating a company with a capital of ¥50,000 and commencing the work by this autumn. In addition, the promoters intend to furnish the locality with an estimated cost of ¥100,000, so as to attract visitors next spring.

## CANTON AFFAIRS.

### Precautions on the Shameen.

### RUMOURS OF FIGHTING.

There were reports in Hongkong this afternoon that fighting was raging in Canton, but so far this news is not confirmed. The suspension of the railway service, on account of two bridges being damaged by explosions, caused all kinds of rumours to be circulated, one being that the morning train was forced to return to Canton on account of fighting along the railway.

Our Canton correspondent writes as follows:—An order for a general attack against the Cheung Chau forts, near Whampoa, has been issued. As a result, the bigger cruisers of the Northern Squadron have moved further out and anchored off Lin Fa Hill, flying white flags at their masts to indicate their neutrality. The order so far has not been carried out.

Strict precautions are being taken on the Shameen, in anticipation of trouble. Strong guards have been placed at the bridge and eight foreign gunboats are anchored near at hand for the protection of foreign lives and property. In Canton itself, precautions are being taken to prevent activities by the bomb-throwing, assassination and incendiary forces recently created. It is announced that General Yip Kue has decided to use every possible measure to force Sun Yat-sen out of Kwangtung so as to ensure peace in the province.

Information from Shaki states that Chan Wing-shan has with his force broken down a big bandit stronghold at Ying Koon Hill, in the Hongshan district, about fifty bandits being killed. The remainder, some 300 in number, were dispersed and are still being followed up by the troops.

The Kwangtung Electric Company has awarded a month's extra pay to all the workers, in recognition of their remaining at work during the recent bombardment. Many other companies have also made similar grants, at the same time advising the workers not to concern themselves with political affairs. As a consequence, the general strike scheme has broken down.

A Peking message states that two delegates have been despatched by President Li Yung-hung, one with a letter to Sun Yat-sen asking him to proceed to Peking, and another with instructions to negotiate with Chan King-ming in regard to unification.

### Afraid of Sun?

A correspondent in Canton writes saying that the Chinese generally are mystified over the situation. Soldiers are being moved from place to place and contradictory statements are made by those responsible for military operations as to the reasons for such activity. It often occurs that shots are heard in a certain direction and presently soldiers rush up along the streets to the spot, mount a few machine-guns which command the approaches and there they wait. After a time, they pack up and move away.

Most of the shops are still closed, and this is a serious circumstance. Some of the educated Chinese and the foreigners cannot understand the fear which prevails, which is not solely due to expectation of looting. There is undoubtedly a strong feeling that there must be more fighting soon. It is probable that the people are afraid of Sun Yat-sen—they supported Chan King-ming, they agreed to the withholding of funds from him, and they fear that Sun will pay them out for their treachery.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, from the Manila Observatory at 11 a.m. to-day:—  
"Cyclone or typhoon over the Visayas Islands moving W. or W.N.W."

## CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

### Bridges Damaged: Service Suspended.

Information has reached the Kowloon-Canton railway authorities to the effect that two bridges on the line to Canton have been badly damaged, one having been blown up. As a result, the service between Canton and Kowloon has been cancelled pending enquiries.

The news was contained in two messages. The first stated that a bridge between Sheklung and Canton was blown up last night, and that it would be necessary to transfer passengers from Canton to another train. Whilst the express was on its way, another message came through stating that another bridge south of Sheklung had been so badly damaged that it was unsafe for trains to pass over it.

No further details have so far been received, but it is presumed that the damage is the result of military operations, the bulk of General Chan King-ming's forces being stationed in and around Sheklung.

Later information shows that the bridge damaged by explosion between Sheklung and Canton is situated between the Shek Ha and the Shek Tan stations, whilst the other bridge damaged is the big one over the Tung Kun River.

Enquiries were sent to Canton to-day asking whether it would be safe to send up the goods train to-night, and a reply was received in the negative, it being added that the service would be entirely suspended until further notice, on account of serious damage to the bridges.

## JAPAN-INDIA RUN.

### New N.Y.K. Service.

Commencing with the s.s. Tamaba Maru, sailing hence on 10th inst., the N.Y.K. inaugurates a regular semi-monthly passenger service between Japan ports, Hongkong, Singapore, Penang and Bombay and thereafter sailings from Hongkong towards Bombay will be on the 25th and 10th of each month. This will now enable passengers to Colombo and Bombay to be booked far in advance of sailing dates, which hitherto could not be done on account of sailings being irregular. The new arrangement of fixed regular sailings therefore promises to be of good service to intending travellers to India.

## COMMUNICATION WITH OTHER WORLDS.

### Wireless Possibility.

In the annual report of the Smithsonian Institution of New York, which corresponds to the Royal Society, Mr. C. G. Abbott, assistant secretary, discussing the "Habitability of Other Worlds," expresses the belief that "though the cost would be enormous, it may be possible to communicate with other planets by wireless telegraphy."

At the same time, Mr. Abbott does not agree that the mysterious signals reported by Signor Marconi and others represent attempts by the inhabitants of other planets to open communication with the earth. The best information, he declares, "seems to be that these wireless indications are merely disturbances introduced by solar or terrestrial causes, yet imperfectly understood."

Mr. Abbott also dissects from the theory generally advanced that if the mysterious manifestations are actually wireless signals, they emanate from Mars, declaring that he is unable to accept the view that the planets are populated. On the other hand, he believes that Venus is much more likely to be inhabited.

## LAWN BOWLS.

### Kowloon's First Defeat.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club, which had hitherto maintained an unbeaten record this season, had to acknowledge defeat at Taihook on Saturday, when the home club's No. 1 team defeated the leaders by the narrow margin of two points. The detailed scores are not yet to hand. Taihook No. 2 team gained a victory at the expense of Civil Service and have thus tied with the Kowloon Bowling Green Club for premier league position. A very interesting struggle between these two teams for league honours is anticipated. The K.C.C. gained an easy victory over Craigengower—a Club which has had a rather disastrous season, only winning one match. The details to hand are:—

### K.C.C. v. Craigengower.

This match was played at the K.C.C., the home team winning by 84 points to 42. Scores:—  
K.C.C. CRAIGENGOWER  
Thompson Green  
R. Abraham Souza  
Stevens Rodrigues  
Gibson (skip) 24 Omar (skip) 13  
Hunter Macfarlane  
Brawn Tait  
Robinson Grimes  
Fife (skip) 30 L. Rose (skip) 11  
Overy White  
Nicholls Greener  
Jack Fisher  
Hyde (skip) 30 F. Allan (skip) 18

Total 84 Total 42

### Civil Service v. Taihook No. 2.

This match was played on the Civil Service green, the home team losing by the narrow margin of four points. Scores:—  
CIVIL SERVICE TAIHOOK  
Sandford Eldridge  
Sullivan Dickson  
Hill Young  
Fincher (skip) 28 Russell (skip) 18  
Laing White  
Forbes Barker  
Roylance McLeod  
Stanley (skip) 23 G. Morrison (skip) 28

Total 65 Total 70

### League Table.

The League Table to date reads:—			
	P.W.	L.	Pts.
K.B.G.C.	7	6	12
Taihook (No. 2)	7	6	12
Taihook (No. 1)	7	4	8
Civil Service	7	3	6
Police R.C.	6	2	4
Kowloon C.C.	7	2	5
Craigengower	7	1	6

## News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Another Negligee Dance is taking place at the Kowloon Theatre to-morrow.—Page 4.  
"Black Beauty" is the super-production picture being shown at the Coronet to-night.—Page 7.  
The old P. and O. Mess is to let furnished.—Page 4.  
The quarterly meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce takes place on July 20.—Page 4.  
The O.S.K. give consignees of cargo per the Andes Maru and Haguen Maru the usual notices on page 4.  
Wm. Powell, Ltd., advertise "Mattam" raincoat.—Page 7.  
The Colonial Dispensary call attention to their prickly heat lotion and powder.—Page 7.  
Lane, Crawford, Ltd. have received new golf clubs.—Page 6.  
Consignees of cargo per the N.Y.K. Kamo Maru are given a notice on Page 5.

## To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 7.5/16d.

## The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer: 30.25; Temperature: 81°. Humidity: 77%.  
Lighting Up Time: 5.45.  
Lighting off time to-day: 7.15.



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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE IRISH CIVIL WAR.

London, July 8.

Batches of Irregulars continue to be taken prisoners in the Provinces by the Nationals, and others are retreating before the Free Staters' advance. The work of clearing the wreckage in O'Connell Street has begun, steamrollers with ropes attached demolishing the upstanding walls. An amazing discovery at the Four Courts ruins is the finding of the Lord Chief Justice's Chambers intact and their contents undamaged.

Later.

Official communiques from Dublin to-day show substantial progress by the National troops in quelling the revolt in the Provinces. They state that in response to the call to arms, between 1,000 and 2,000 volunteers enrolled in Dublin alone up to last night.

The Provisional Government statement, as regards the allegations of ill-treatment of 400 prisoners at Mountjoy Prison, says that they were accorded the privileges of military captives, though they represent forces responsible for looting and terrorism during the past two months and include a number of ordinary criminals. The Government will not tolerate efforts on the part of those who surrendered in order to save their lives to subvert the discipline of the imprisonment they accepted.

Dublin City architects estimate that the re-building of the devastated areas, apart from the Four Courts, will take four years. The Irish Independent suggests an Irish loan of £20,000,000 for the purpose of reconstruction.

All the reports from South-west Ireland indicate that the Governmental troops control the national situation. Thousands of Irregulars have been made prisoners in the course of the week and practically all the rebel leaders have been rounded up except De Valera, whose whereabouts is a mystery. He is variously reported as hiding in disguise in Dublin, accompanying the rebel remnants in the hills near the city and gone south for the purpose of fomenting rebellion. His appeal to America proved a complete failure.

Dublin, July 8.

The official list of casualties of the National forces fighting at the Four Courts and Sackville Street are given as 16 killed and 122 wounded.

London, July 8.

The Irregulars' stronghold at Blessington has been captured and their rear-guard of 60 taken prisoner.

Irregulars cleared out of Drogheda are holding the woods. The operations of the Nationals are driving the Irregulars towards Cork. Sixty Irregulars garrisoning Skeog House in Donegal, close to the Londonderry border, fought the National troops for six hours and then surrendered after destroying the interior of the building and wrecking the furniture. The only casualty was the commander of the garrison, who was wounded.

The Free State Forces operating from Curragh captured forty-seven Irregulars and six motors with large quantities of arms and ammunition at Castle Dermott, Co. Kildare.

## TENNIS AT WIMBLEDON.

London, July 8.

The weather at Wimbledon was showery to-day, but there was a tremendous attendance, including Their Majesties.

Middle, Lenglen retained the championship, beating the American Mrs. Mallory 6-2, 6-0 in the final.

The appearance of Middle, Lenglen and Mrs. Mallory evoked most enthusiastic applause. They played a magnificent game, but at the outset it was obvious that Mrs. Mallory had little chance. The champion dominated the game. A feature of the play was her wonderful volleys and miraculous recoveries. In the second set she was most brilliant. The American lady was outplayed and outmaneuvered by Middle, Lenglen's beautiful forehand drives and strong backhand returns. It was probably the easiest final the French player ever had to play.

In the men's semi-final, Patterson beat Anderson 6-1, 3-6, 7-9, 6-1, 6-3. This was a disappointing game. Both relied on terrific pace in their services for scoring. Patterson, although he frequently double-faulted, was vastly superior, Anderson rarely even reaching his whirlwind deliveries.

## HENLEY REGATTA.

London, July 8.

The wretched weather in evidence during the first three days of the Henley Regatta somewhat improved to-day when the following finals were decided:

Grand Challenge Cup: Leander beat Thames by a length in 7 mins. 36 secs.

Stewards' Cup: Eton Vikings beat Grasshoppers Club, Switzerland, easily, in 8 mins. 25 secs.

Diamond Sculls: Walter Hoover (America) beat Jack Beresford (Thames) easily, in 9 mins. 32 secs.

Ladies' Plate: Brasenose College, Oxford, beat Magdalen College, Oxford, by a length, in 7 mins. 47 secs.

Thames Cup: Worcester College, Oxford, beat Clare College, Cambridge, by two feet, in 7 mins. 56 secs.

Silver Goblets: Magdalen College, Oxford, beat Thames by one and three quarter lengths, in 9 mins. 19 secs.

Wyfold Cup: Thames beat Kingston by two and half lengths in 9 mins. 6 secs.

Visitors' Cup: Third Trinity, Cambridge, beat Lincoln College, Oxford, easily, in 8 mins. 28 secs.

## THE GERMAN PLOTTINGS.

Berlin, July 8.

Several arrests have been made in connection with a discovery of arms at Magdeburg. Among prominent Nationalists, including a Town Councillor and three ex-officers. The depot at one estate contained 600 rifles, 16 machine guns, several cases of pistols, 20,000 rounds of rifle ammunition and a number of shells.

Berlin, July 8.

Vorwärts states that the instigator of the attack on Maximilian Harden is an Oldenburg publisher, Albert Grein, President of the German Nationalist movement in Ostfriesland. He is alleged to have paid 20,000 Marks which he received from Munich to the assassins, named Ankermann and Weichardt.

## IN UPPER SILESIA.

Berlin, July 8.

Anti-French bitterness in Upper Silesia is most intense according to a telegram from Oppeln. A British soldier was killed, while trying to separate French and German soldiers who had drawn revolvers on each other. There was much firing on French troops evacuating Gross Strelitz. Germans in another part of Upper Silesia boarded a French troop train and one French soldier was killed and another wounded during the ensuing fighting. British soldiers in the same train were unharmed.

## BRITISH CONVOY ATTACKED.

Simla, July 8.

The Jalalkhal Mahads on 1st July attacked a British convoy, near Barasitangi. One British officer and eight other ranks were killed and three men wounded.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## DEALING WITH RUSSIA.

The Hague, July 8.

It was expected that M. Krassin's arrival would result in the acceleration of business, but matters are no further advanced as the result of the prolonged sessions of the Debt and Private Property Sub-Commissions, at which the Russians were obdurate, insisting on a grant of credits before they could definitely reply regarding payment of debts which Russia might acknowledge.

There was a perfect thrust and parry, question and answer in the Property Sub-Commission between non-Russians and Russians, particularly when M. Litvinoff was pressed to give details regarding properties formerly in foreign ownership. M. Litvinoff replied that it was difficult to identify them, and it was for the owners' themselves to identify. When driven into a corner M. Litvinoff retorted by asking "What is meant by foreign ownership?" He was forced to admit that the ex-owner would be in the same position as other bidders if the properties were auctioned. Declaring it was impossible to grant a concession to the moneyless ex-owner even if runned by the revolution, M. Litvinoff told a Belgian Delegate that he could interpret his (Litvinoff's) answers as he liked. He wound up by complaining that the Russians had been at The Hague for a fortnight, and given all the information required, but had got nothing in return.

M. Krassin intervened, suggesting that all questions and answers be put in writing. The Sub-Commission decided that each side omit subjects whereon they disagreed. Both M. Litvinoff and M. Skolnikoff were then bombarded by questions from the Debt Sub-Commission. The questions were first oral and then handed in writing in order to ease the strain. Skolnikoff was searchingly questioned regarding the origin of the gold figuring in the budget. He replied that all funds derived from the confiscated Church property were employed solely to fight the famine.

Both Sub-Commissions adjourned until July 11.

## THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

London, July 9.

A special Paris message says that nothing very serious has yet been done to put the principle of saving the Banque Industrielle into effect, and Marshal Joffre has drawn attention to the importance of setting the institution on its feet again. Regarding the way in which the bank's affairs have been conducted by its Paris directors, the papers of the Right suggest an elaborate political and financial scandal, which must eventually be brought to light. The corruption of the deputies is hinted at, and the word "Panama" whispered but doubtless, it is necessary to discount some of the suggestions as belonging to the violent party warfare, which the French carry into such matters with a lack of reticence which is really fundamentally healthy, but nevertheless must be recognised as more or less a direct attempt in the making to involve, not only M. Briand but even M. Millerand, who each when Premier loyally supported M. Barthelot.

## REPARATIONS.

Berlin, July 8.

Under Secretaries Schroeder and Fischer have left for Paris to ask the Reparations Commission for a moratorium to enable German cash payments to be spread over a longer period.

It is semi-officially explained that although the Government has amassed sufficient foreign currency to enable it to pay 50,000,000 Gold Marks due a week hence, the Cabinet is of the opinion that payment, if insisted upon, will prove the last straw. It is added that all German financial circles recognise that with the mark falling precipitously, the continuance of payments will lead to a financial collapse. The harm already done is immense and recovery will be most difficult even if Gold payments are suspended.

## THE EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY.

London, July 9.

The Exiles' Club at Orleans Park, Twickenham, was to-day the scene of a presentation to Sir John Pender, marking the fifty years jubilee of the Eastern and allied cable companies. The presentation consisted of an illuminated address containing eight thousand signatures of the staffs of the associated companies, and the insignia of the orders held by Sir John Pender, worked out in diamonds and platinum.

The Secretary of the Eastern Extension Company made the presentation. The proceedings also included the inauguration of a bed in Bartholomew's Hospital, endowed as a memorial by the late Lady Denison Pender.

## THE BRAZILIAN REVOLUTION.

Rio de Janeiro, July 8.

The Government has ordered Marshal Fonseca to appear within one week, otherwise war will be declared.

Later.

Marshal Fonseca has been arrested and detained aboard a cruiser. A state of siege has been proclaimed for thirty days. Shells struck the Ministry of War building during the fighting, killing four and wounding six.

The political situation is clearing. The Army and Navy undertaking to stand by the Administration, the threat of a military coup has now disappeared.

## THE DUTCH ELECTIONS.

Amsterdam, July 8.

The final election returns for the Second Chamber show 32 Roman Catholics, 16 Calvinist Anti-Revolutionaries, 11 Christian Historicals, 1 State Reformed Church, 20 Social Democrat Labourites, 10 Liberal Liberty Leaguers, 1 Conservative Liberal, 5 Liberal Democrats, 2 Communists and 2 Country Leaguers. The proportions in the new Chamber are 59 Right and 41 Left. Thus the Government Coalition is strengthened.

The Cabinet does not consider that the result of the elections necessitates its resignation.

## AMERICAN RAILWAY TROUBLE.

Chicago, July 9.

Numerous disorders are occurring in connection with the strike. Strikers stoned the guards escorting a party of strike-breakers into the Clinton workshops. The guards fired a volley, wounding a striker and killing his fourteen year old son. The two companies state infantry are proceeding to Clinton immediately.

## NEW DUTCH LOAN.

Amsterdam, July 8.

Subscriptions are opening on July 15 for a State six per cent. loan of 150,000,000 florins and a second instalment of 300,000,000 florins.

## POLISH CABINET RESIGNS.

Warsaw, July 8.

The Cabinet has resigned.

## SOFTNESS DANCING FROCKS BRIGHT



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Dancing frocks are taking yards and yards of material unto themselves and have something of an air of Spain and romance about them. Skirts are plainly lengthening, too. This frock reaches quite to the ankle and falls in lovely frilly lines.

The upper part of the taffeta skirt is a brilliant rose tone, the lower part is black. And where the two colours meet one finds an interesting and exceedingly puffed fluting. A bit of Spanish lace trails across the plain rose-coloured bodice, veiling one shoulder and apart of the arm. The lace is caught at the waist line with a cluster of handsome roses.

## JAPAN'S PACIFIC ISLANDS.

Geneva, July 8.

Japan has transmitted to the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations the second report on the administration of the former German Colonies in the Pacific, north of Equator. The report is first prepared by a mandatory power in reply to a detailed questionnaire.

## OBITUARY.

London, July 9.

Lt.-Gen. Sir James Bevan Edwards, K.C.M.G., is dead. [The deceased was 83 years old, being born on Nov. 5, 1834. A Crimean veteran, he took part in the suppression of the Indian Mutiny and had close associations with China, where he served in 1854, returning to command the troops in China in 1859-1860, after holding the important position of Commander of the School of Military Engineering, 1855-1858. He was conservative M.P. for Hythe from 1895-1899.]

## COTTON SPINDLES FOR CHINA.

London, July 8.

Messrs. Platt of Oldham now admit having large orders, amounting to the figures previously quoted, on their books for the Far East, but not in one single recent order.

[The previous cable stated that the firm had received orders for 1,063,000 spindles for China.]

## THE COTTON TARIFF CONTROVERSY.

London, July 8.

According to opinion in Lancashire, where the agitation is strongest, regarding fabric gloves, the political tension has now eased as the Conservative revolt against the proposed exemption of gloves has not materialised.

## BRITISH BUDDHIST MISSION TO TIBET.

London, July 8.

A British Buddhist Mission to Tibet with the object of investigating customs, religion, language and monastic literature will shortly leave. Some of the members have left for India.

## DUTCH-BELGIAN AERIAL PACT.

The Hague, July 8.

The provisional arrangement between Holland and Belgium concerning aerial communication has been signed by the Foreign Ministry.

## SOLICITOR GENERAL FOR SCOTLAND.

London, July 8.

The Hon. Mr. William Watson, K.C., has been appointed Solicitor General for Scotland.

## BRITAIN AND ITALY.

London, July 8.

Signor Schanzer, who has concluded his visit to London in connection with Anglo-Italian policy, meets M. Poincare in Paris en route to Rome. No definite decisions were reached in the London conversations, which are to be resumed a month hence.

## THE TAFTS GO HOME.

London, July 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft have departed on their return to America. They declared they were delighted by the visit to England. They had obtained information that would be very useful in recommending changes in the judicial procedure of America.

## FRANCO-SPANISH TREATY SIGNED.

Madrid, July 8.

A Franco-Spanish Commercial Treaty has been signed.



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**EARLIER SPECIAL  
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(From Our Own Correspondent.)

**A SHANGHAI TRAGEDY.**

Shanghai, July 8.

Michael Savodnikoff, who served in Admiral Kolchak's army against the Bolsheviks and held the rank of Colonel, was the prime mover in a sensational tragedy here this morning, when he killed a woman named Anna Averkieva, who was formerly his sweetheart. After the murder he attempted suicide.

The tragedy took place in a fashionable millinery shop, within a stone's throw of the Astor House. The street was crowded at the time. The murderer was seized by jealous and unrequited love, his farewell note explains.

Savodnikoff regained consciousness after an operation.

He is not yet dead but there is little hope of his surviving. The inquest on the girl will be held at the Mixed Court to-morrow but may be delayed if the condition of her slayer improves. It transpires that the murderer's real name is Smyslin, General Serebrenov's colonel. He was attached to Admiral Kolchak when he captured China but was subsequently pardoned by the Far Eastern Government. He stole 20,000 gold roubles and fled to Shanghai.

**HONGKONG SHIPPING  
AWARD.**

Shanghai, July 7.

Judgment has been given to-day in the Mixed Court in an action regarded as a test of the arbitration award made in Hongkong after the strike of ships' officers two years ago.

A member of the China Coast Officers' Guild sued the San Pui Steam Navigation Company, the Guild backing the plaintiff.

The Court's decision was that the arbitration award was not a legal compact but an economic settlement, enforceable only by economic means. It held that the Guild was bound by the action of its own members in waiving their rights to receive wages in accordance with the arbitration award, and dismissed the Guild's suit.

**BASEBALL.**

**M.B.K. v. Hongkong Club.**

Saturday's baseball game at Happy Valley resulted in a victory for the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha team with a score of 12 to 0. Heavy hitting was the feature of the game, but the Japanese nine punched their hitting and were very good on the bases. Several costly errors by the Hongkong team in the field gave the M.B.K. four runs in the first inning. There was a great deal of excitement in the sixth inning, when Hongkong tied the score and then held the M.B.K. hitless during the first of the seventh. However, although Hongkong hit well and had several chances to take the lead, the Japanese aggregation played excellent ball in the defence and kept them from scoring during the last three stanzas, while they themselves made three runs.

The star of the game was Cho, pitcher for the M.B.K., who not only pitched a game and kept the hits well scattered but batted well. On two occasions for extra bases, (all in left field did some fine work and Yamazaki on third was good. Brown, and Gilson who relieved Brown in the sixth, pitched well; but they lacked support in the field. Scott, Townsend, O'Connor and Kosh did the starring for the home team.

A large crowd witnessed the game and were satisfied that they were given their money's worth. Doctor Urquhart and Hoo, of South China, were umpires.

An early return game is promised and the Hongkong Club are confident that they will bring home the bacon. The teams are so well matched that an exciting game is anticipated, especially since this game has stimulated a great deal of enthusiasm and rivalry. Next Saturday the Hongkong Club meet a team from Canton and the following Saturday the long looked for game with the University of California will be played. Both of these games should draw large attendances.

Saturday's score was:

Innings.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
M.B.K.	4	1	0	2	1	0	2	1	12	
H.K.	0	3	0	0	2	4	0	0	9	

**REAR ADMIRAL  
AUMARESQ.**

**Not Expected to Live.**

Manila July 7.—The physicians do not expect Admiral Dumaresq to live.—*Reuter.*

[Rear Admiral I. S. Dumaresq, was Commander in command of the Australian naval establishment, but was dispensed with under the reduction scheme. He was travelling home via the Orient on the Tongo Maru and fell ill with pneumonia, being removed from the ship at Manila in May last.—*Ed. H.A.T.*]

**RETURN OF SHANTUNG.**

Peking July 7.—A communication states that at the third meeting of the Shantung Commission the Japanese tabled the following statement of expenditure during the Japanese regime:

Locomotives costing Y. 5,180,000.

Cars Y. 5,630,000.

They stated that a suitable allowance for depreciation will be made.

The Japanese Commissioners consented to the Chinese proposal to send Chinese to work on the Tientsin-Tsinan railway prior to the transfer to China.

The Japanese Commissioners agreed in principle to the Chinese proposal regarding contracts and commitments for new undertakings by the Japanese Railway Administration, as submitted at last meeting.—*Reuter.*

**CHINESE TROOPS  
MUTINY.**

July 8.—The Peking and Tientsin Times Paoingfu correspondent says that a mutiny broke out on Thursday night in the 23rd Division at Paoingfu. An attempt was made to loot the city and ride and machine-gun firing was heard all night. The loyal troops finally suppressed the disorders.—*Reuter.*

**THE BOY SCOUTS.**

**Church Parade at St. Andrew's.**

The St. Andrew's Church Boy Scouts, under the command of Scout-Master Farrell, held their annual church parade yesterday morning and were inspected by Commodore Grace in the Church Hall at Kowloon. The Commodore referred in eulogistic terms to their fine appearance and urged them always to bear in mind the main object of the Boy Scouts Association, namely to help each other.

The Scout Commissioner, Rev. G. T. Wallbridge gave a special address to the Scouts and their leaders who were present at the service which followed in the Church. Speaking of the origin of the Association Mr. Wallbridge stated that General Sir Robert Baden-Powell had in mind the members of the North West Mounted Police and the Redskin Indians when he first conceived his great idea of forming a great body of boys, pledged to strike a path for themselves.

People were too prone to follow in the footsteps of others rather than to strike out on a path of their own. John Wesley had been condemned by the Church because he had shown enthusiasm for a cause that was out of the ordinary run. When Baden-Powell had first started the Boy Scouts the people had said they were mad. The movement had grown enormously since that time, however, until at the present moment it was world-wide. Before the Scouts were formed boys usually spent their idle moments at football matches and the like; but now they had a definite objective in life.

**The North West Mounted Police.**

Referring to the initiative displayed by the North West Mounted Police, Mr. Wallbridge gave illustrations of how they followed the path of duty no matter in which direction it led. They were fearless, and their deeds of heroism were fully equal to those of the Arctic explorers. One such policeman had been sent out on an errand miles across the snow, and he never returned. Subsequently his body was found in the snow with a note lying beside him, "Dog dead. Food exhausted. Can go no further. I have done my best." Another illustration of their courage in performing their duty was on an occasion when two policemen went out to arrest the ringleader of a gang, and in doing so had to take their lives.

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Mr. Rudd recently outlined a most interesting project for the development of athletics in the minor British Universities, which is in itself only part of a wider scheme leading in a few years' time to the ambitious idea of a World's Universities Olympiad.

"I am inviting," he said, "all the minor universities, such as Manchester, Leeds, and Durham, to compete at Queen's Club later in the year, and I hope to make this an annual event."

**OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE.**

Oxford and Cambridge, who have the advantage of a longer and more expert organisation, and might be expected at the moment to sweep the decks, would stand down from this competition but eventually would, I hope, come in.

Oxford v. Cambridge sports would always remain, but we should have, in addition, an annual contest for the athletic championship of all the British Universities.

American Universities are much more highly organised in these matters than we are. I should like to see a British University Athletic Federation, who would arrange and control the championship meeting I have suggested, and generally take charge of, and co-ordinate, all athletic efforts in our leading educational institutions.

**AGE OF DEMOCRACY.**

"The day is past when Oxford and Cambridge should stand aloof from the other universities. This is the age of democracy, and everything that tends to bring into closer touch the historic universities and those which are young enough to be still busy in the working out of their own traditions is all to the good."

"The British University Athletic Championship would, I hope," lead to an Empire Championship meeting, at which students from Australia, Canada, South Africa, and India would compete, and so we would progress to our World's Olympiad."

Definite arrangements have already been made, Mr. Rudd explained, for periodic contests between Oxford and Cambridge and the leading universities of the United States, and he wants to see more of these, with other Home and Empire colleges joining in.

"It doesn't matter a brass button who wins," he said. "What I am interested in is the politics of the matter. I believe, owing to my visits to America to run, I have now more friends in the United States universities than I have in our own at home."

**SPLENDID AMERICANS.**

"People here do not realise that there are over 100 universities in America, and that the largest of them are bigger than Oxford and Cambridge put together."

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"Men have been turned out of an American team for smoking a cigarette without the coach's permission, and, while I believe in training, that is carrying things a bit too far."

"These American students are splendid fellows. It is only by meeting them in some field of sport that one realises what good sportsmen they are. That is why I want more of these meetings—so that we can get to know each other better."

Mr. Bavin Gordon Urban Rudd is a son of Mr. H. P. Rudd, of De Beers Consolidated Mines, Ltd., and a grandson of the late Mr. C. D. Rudd, who won the Harrow School mile in 1861. He was awarded the M.C. in the war, where he served as a lieutenant in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and afterwards as major in the Tank Corps.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 21st inst. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

##### NANYO YUSEN KAISHA, LTD.

From JAPAN.

The Steamship

"SAMARANG MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 12th July will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined at 10 a.m. on the 12th July.

Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognised.

No fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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NANYO YUSEN KAISHA, LTD.,  
Hongkong, 6th July, 1922.

#### HOT AND COLD.

"Readers of these columns may remember that we chronicled a temperature of 107 degrees in the shade in Tientsin a couple of weeks ago. There has since been a heavy drop there, but the situation in the north is still very precarious for farmers. Mr. Rodney Gilbert points out to us that up to June 23 the heat in Peking had been terrific, and the country there was simply burnt up. Planting of the summer crops was then 25 days overdue, so that the fields presented as bare an appearance as in winter. Since then, fortunately, the rain has come and there have been welcome storms. As a consequence the farmers are working night and day to get in seed, gambling on there still being time to catch the harvest. It is a courageous thing to do, for the farmers admit they have barely enough time before the arrival of the first frosts, but they are all willing to try."—N.C. Daily News, July 1.

### CONSIGNEES.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 28th July, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 14th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 7th July, 1922.

#### BAN ON BUSMAN'S BADGE.

U.S. Conductors to be  
Labelled "Mr."

Instead of a badge on his cap identifying him by a number, the bus conductor of New York now has a personal introduction badge in green, black and gold, bearing his name in full, with the prefix Mr., and worn on left breast pocket of his uniform.

It is the theory of Mr. John A. Ritchie, president of the Fifth Avenue Coach Company, that to label a man with his own name instead of a number, will tend to heighten his self-respect.

The vast majority of the motormen and conductors in the employ of the company are Irish.

Mr. Ritchie does not like the term "conductor," any better than he did numbers, and is casting about for a better word to designate what he calls his "transportation salesmen."

#### THE TREMBLING HAND.

A Sure Sign that Your Nerves are in Trouble, and Your General Health Low.

If your hand, your thumb, or your foot trembles when you try to hold it still, if your writing is shaky, if you have tremors of your lips or chin, your nerves need strengthening.

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There is no tonic for the nerves that is not a tonic for every other part of the body. There is no form of debility that does not rob the nerves of nourishment. The remedy therefore for nervous breakdown is a tonic that will build up the general health, revitalize the blood, and enable it to carry to the starved nerves the elements they need.

Dr. Williams' pink pills are an ideal tonic for all nervous people, being far more valuable than any mere stimulant. To-day is the best time to begin them. Any dealer can supply, or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 95 Scholes Road, Shanghai, \$1.50 per bottle, \$5.00 for 6 bottles, post free.

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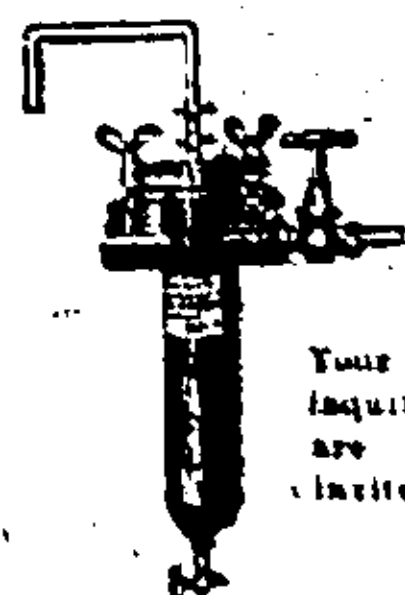
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**BIRTH.**GUTIERREZ.—On Sunday,  
9th July, at 9 Mosque Street, to  
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gutierrez,  
Jr., a son.**DEATH.**SENNET.—At Paris, on July  
9th, M. Moise Sennet, founder  
of Sennet Freres. Deeply re-  
gretted.**The Telegraph.**

HONGKONG, 10th July, 1922.

**REUNIFICATION.**

President Li Yuan-hung is reported to have sent deputies to the South-Western provinces to request the cancellation of their independence. Possibly this will represent a step on the path towards reunification. For some while past the status of the provinces in that part of the Republic has been peculiarly indefinite. Kweichow, Yunnan and Szechuen have professed a nominal adhesion to the Canton party, the bond being hostility to Peking rather than any firm or settled attachment to the southern capital. In a loose sense they have been spoken of as the "South-Western Confederacy," but they are so far from forming a compact body that they are as likely as not to be found fighting each other or themselves in faction fights within the separate provinces.

With the removal of "Old Hsu" and the promised recon- vocation of the Old Parliament, the reasons for even the nominal bond have largely ceased to hold. Already the victory of Wu Pei-foo had influenced Kweichow so far that support gave way to unfriendly neutrality, if not to definite hostility, which the anti-North expedition's withdrawal from Kiangsi is likely to confirm. Szechuen has had enough trouble between the rival claimants to the Tsuchunship and in coping with threats from Yunnan raiders to be able to give much assistance to the South, if it so willed; and the indications are rather in the direction of a rapprochement with Peking. The returned Tsuchun of Yunnan appears still to support Sun Yat-sen, but it is very doubtful whether he would continue to do so in the face of strong opposition, especially as he has his hands pretty full locally.

In relation to Kwangsi, over which Kwangtung's hold has been

loosening, the former province no doubt welcomes the turn of events. This leaves only Kwangtung, the headquarters of the Southern movement, and even in that province two sets of opinion are becoming apparent. It is because we think that in the new circumstances there are grounds for hoping for reunification, and not from any antagonism to Sun Yat-sen personally, that we consider his political elimination would be beneficial.

**Our Finances.**

There is nothing wrong with the Colony's finances, to judge from the statement issued for the quarter ended March 31st. This shows that incomes during the three months exceeded disbursements by more than two million dollars. The revenue was considerably more than \$1,875,000 above the amount received during the corresponding quarter last year, whilst expenditure did not increase more than about \$420,000. Much of the increase in revenue is due to the big amount received from sales of land, which for the quarter totalled no less a sum than \$832,000, as compared with \$137,000 in the same period last year. Of this sum, over \$143,000 was received during the month of March. With affairs in this healthy condition and a credit balance of over eight million dollars, it will be agreed that the immediate outlook is such as to give the Government no cause for anxiety.

**Hope amid Gloom.**

Architects estimate that the rebuilding of the wrecked areas in Dublin City alone will occupy four years. The cost is not stated, but some idea of this may be obtained from the proposal for a \$20,000,000 loan. In these days of inflated finance the casual reader may fail to realise the extent of the damage. It may be admitted that there is cause for thankfulness that the destruction was not much greater still, as it easily might have been had not the Free State troops gained the upper hand at an early stage. The fact remains that property to the value of some twenty millions sterling has literally ended in smoke at a time when the world needs all its energies for reconstruction. That is saying nothing of the loss of life. In that regard Britishers in general have a certain consolation in knowing that this latest example of strife in Ireland was the work of Irishmen, though the republicans will no doubt indulge in more irrational talk of the Treaty having been "forced" upon Ireland, notwithstanding that it has been ratified by the Irish people. Deplorable as the conflict is, there is good ground for acclaiming the strong stand taken by the Free State, which the impartial mind must believe to be altogether in Ireland's interest. It is not unreasonable to conclude that, with the suppression of the violent extremists largely accomplished, the way will at last be cleared for a brighter era.

**Energy Indeed.**

Football matches in a temperature far nearer ninety than eighty degrees! It makes one not to think about; doesn't it? Yet that is what may be seen any afternoon of the week on the Murray Parade Ground, where soldiers of the 2nd Battalion King's Regiment are fighting out their League championship. And it isn't ramby-ramby football, either—the energy, enthusiasm and keenness of the players are no whit less pronounced than in winter-time matches. These facts provide striking testimony to the fitness of our soldiers, and, despite the heat, we have no doubt that the exercise is all to their good. The games are certainly worth watching, and, what with the keenness of the players and the demonstrations by their supporters, it's a very animated scene that is daily witnessed. Provided the men can do it, this idea of keeping our soldier footballers in good trim by means of inter-platoon competitions is an excellent one. These all-the-year-round footballers should be able to give a good account of themselves when the season proper begins. It might be a good idea another summer to provide some accommodation on the parade ground for the general public to witness these interesting contests.

**DAY BY DAY.**KNOWING THYSELF ISN'T MUCH  
USE UNLESS YOU CAN CONVINCE  
OTHERS.

Engineer Captain G. H. Bromwich, R.N., D.S.O., O.B.E., has left for Wei-hai-wei on duty in H.M.S. *Titanic*, and will be absent for a few weeks.

The health return for Saturday shows four cases of plague (three fatal), and one non-fatal case each of small-pox, paratyphoid fever and yellow fever. All were Chinese.

A Chinese woman was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday as a result of injuries to her head, sustained by a fall when she attempted to alight from a moving tramcar near the Central Market.

The little daughter of a boat-woman was drowned yesterday by an accidental fall into the harbour whilst playing aboard the vessel. About an hour later the body was recovered and removed to the Mortuary.

The new programme at the World Theatre includes a very fine drama entitled "The Trick of Fate." In it, Bessie Barriscale takes the leading role, with Richard Crane. There is a strong love interest and plenty of excitement, and the film should draw big houses.

This discovery was made at Beach Street, Kennedy Town, yesterday, of a Chinese coolie lying unconscious across the roadway. On examination it was found that he had a number of stab wounds in the chest, which, however, were not very serious. The man was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A hawk of Shua Sha Wai village was drowned on Saturday in a pool, whilst bathing. He stepped into deep water, and, being unable to swim, was drowned in the sight of a friend, who, being a non-swimmer, was unable to render any assistance. The body was afterwards recovered and removed to the Kowloon Public Mortuary.

A sampan in which were a number of ladies on a bathing picnic overturned near Island Bay on Saturday. Although the party were non-swimmers and novices, there was little harm done. With the exception of Sister E. M. Smith of the Government Civil Hospital, the safety by their friends on launch nearby. Miss Smith was pinned beneath the overturned sampan and was in such a condition when she was rescued that artificial respiration had to be applied. She was conveyed to the U. C. H. by motor-car and in a very short time fully recovered from the shock of her rather unpleasant experience.

Mr. Toesdale Mackintosh, Registrar of the University, sends us the following copy of a letter which he has received from the Secretary for Examinations of the Local Examinations and Lectures Syndicate of the University of Cambridge:—"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 18 April and am glad to have such a satisfactory report on three schools as Shanghai which you have recently re-inspected. In view of the nature of your report, the Syndicate approve for the A. Certificate not only the Public School for Boys and the Public School for Girls, but also the Thomas Hanbury School for Boys. I send herewith a formal statement of approval for each of these schools covering the examinations of 1922, 1923 and 1924."

By forging the signatures of the floor and godown managers on two bill heads he had previously purloined from the Manus Shirt Manufactory of Wanchai, an employee of the Sincere Company was enabled to obtain a sum of \$300 on presenting the forgeries to the accountant. When the fraud was exposed the employee was arrested and he became penitent to the extent of voluntarily returning a part of this sum to the Sincere Company. When the case came up for hearing before Mr. R. E. Lindell, a plea for leniency was put in by the employee, and Inspector Blackman, replying to the Magistrate, suggested the amendment of the charge to one of obtaining money by false pretences. On this charge the defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

**The Elimination of Sun Yat-sen.**

Sir,—While President Sun Yat-sen lives, he cannot be eliminated from the politics of a Republican China. He has made such a China; and his life is bound up with the current destinies of his country. That is why Chen Chiung-ming, who aspires to supplant him under foreign approval, planned to kill him. And that is why I thought you desired his assassination when you declared that "nothing short of his elimination from politics will lead to real unification."

Parlon me if I suggest that you do not quite understand what you are writing about. May I briefly enlighten you? On June 12, 1917, General Li Yuan-hung illegally dissolved Parliament in obedience to the demand of the militarists. That divided China. Dr. Sun Yat-sen at once declared that reunification would be impossible as long as Li Yuan-hung's illegality endured. Peking and the militarists affected to ignore Dr. Sun; and with foreign recognition and subsidies, they have tried for five years to "unify" China well-nigh out of political existence. The logic of failure has compelled them to realise the meaning and force of the Sun Yat-sen declaration. But again affecting to ignore President Sun, they seek to cure Li Yuan-hung's illegality by another Li Yuan-hung illegality. They—not Parliament which is solely vested with the right to do so—make Li Yuan-hung President. And because President Sun refuses to be a party to this monumental tomfoolery, you daily insult him and about that he must be eliminated. You might as well play Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark.

There is a point of morals involved in your treatment of the matter which I must leave untouched. But if you are not too busy searching for epithets of insult for President Sun, perhaps you may find time to consider the morality of defaming the Founder of the Chinese Republic and the revered leader of Chinese who are neither knaves nor fools, in the interests of one in the South who will go down in our history as a traitor and of others, in the North, who tear up and patch up the Constitution in the face of a foreign public without a word of condemnation for the illegalities and immoralities of political brigands.

Yours etc.

EUGENE CHEN.

Hongkong, July 9, 1922.

**Cruelty to Animals.**

Sir,—It was with pleasure that I read the comments on the workings of the S.P.C.A. written by your worthy correspondent, Robt. McWhirter, in your issue of Saturday last. I have been anxiously waiting for months to receive a notice of a meeting of the Society. I have spoken to several people in authority and each one seems to be waiting for the other to move.

Why should the money collected (over \$7,000) be idle when it could be put to such good use—the use for which it was intended: to try and eliminate the unnecessary cruelty which we all know is daily practised? We all seem to think that "what the eye" etc., and therefore, why worry?

In other Colonies the Society does such wonderful work which is absolutely essential. At the meetings in Hongkong last year, a lot of time was wasted in arguing the draft of a poster—it took two meetings to decide its nature! I don't think it has proved worth its printing. It was exhibited at the picture houses gratis for some time; to what purpose? As the rules of the Society were all drawn up and printed last year, why the delay?

I append an extract from the monthly journal of the Sydney S.P.C.A. of last month re a prosecution for cruelty (one of many).—

**CRUELTY TO POULTRY.**

On May 1st the Inspector prosecuted Arthur Benson, 63a Dowling Street, Darlinghurst, for cruelty to fowls. He had packed 22 in a box 2ft. 9in. long x 2ft. wide x 18 inches high. Eleven of the fowls were now dead.

**THE WATER SUPPLY.****Catchment Areas Being Increased.****USEFUL WEEK-END FALL.**

In view of the water shortage experienced this year, the Public Works Department has in hand several important schemes to increase the catchment areas both in Kowloon and Hongkong. This much was learned by a Telegraph representative this morning, who made a call at the Public Works Office. During the last scare, a portion of the Lai Chi Kok stream was diverted so that it was fed straight into the filter beds. The Lai Chi Kok stream, which is well known to most Kowloon people, is fed by the Shek Lai Pui stream, and it was this latter which was diverted, thus adding fairly considerably to the public supply. The Public Works Department are also getting ahead with plans to add another 300 acres to the present catchment area. The present system of catchments is being extended for about two miles behind Lion Rock and on the adjoining hills, and a considerable quantity of water should be added in consequence.

On the Hongkong side, a scheme is practically ready to bring in an extra 400 acres, between Stanley and Tytan Tuk, the water secured going into the big reservoir. So soon as the plans are completed, work will be commenced and further schemes devised. The authorities are fully alive to the necessity of increasing the water supply, to avoid, if possible, a repetition of the present shortage.

The week-end has produced a useful rainfall. On Saturday a fall of 2.35 inches was recorded at the Shatin reservoir. This morning there were 58,000,000 gallons of water stored in Kowloon as against 62,250,000 on the first of the month, but it is expected that the rainfall has now been sufficient to make the total higher.

On the Hongkong side, Saturday's rainfall readings varied from 3.01 inches at Pokfulam to 5.07 inches at Wong Nei Cheong. The total quantity of water stored in Hongkong this morning was 592,000,000 gallons as against 473,790,000 gallons on July 1st.

Mr. Burton Smith, S.M., fined accused (who pleaded not guilty), 25, with 8/- costs. Here also is a statement from the same journal:—

WHAT THE S. P. C. A. IS DOING: It has established Essay Competitions in the Public Schools. Employs four Inspectors—returned men—at a cost of almost £1,000 per annum.

Has a Convalescent Home for Horses at Little Bay and the Dogs Home at Waterloo. Care-takers at each are returned men.

Provides ambulance in case of street accidents to horses. Inspects stables, piggeries, slaughter yards, markets, wharves, etc.

Investigates complaints. Prosecutes when necessary. Cautions in other cases.

Watches Flemington and other saleyards, steep gradients, brick yards, poultry markets, etc.

Inspects ponies, etc., used in mines.

Maintains Lethal Chambers for painless destruction of dogs, and cats.

By Motor Ambulances rescues stray or diseased dogs, cats, etc., from vacated premises.

Since Jan. 1st, 1922, for instance, the Society called for or removed over 700 diseased, stray, injured or unwanted dogs and cats.

All fines in S.P.C.A. cases go to the State Treasury.

These are examples that might well be followed in Hongkong. Trusting that someone more capable than I will move in this important matter, and thanking you for your valuable space.

Yours etc.

MAUD WOODS.

Hongkong, July 10th, 1922.

**SHANGHAI'S NEW "O.G."**

Up to the present no definite news has been received as to when Mr. Sidney Barton, C.M.G., is likely to reach Shanghai to take up the duties of Consul-General. Mr. Barton recently had an attack of influenza, and it was his intention to proceed from Peking to Weihaiwei to recuperate before coming to Shanghai. In the circumstances he is not expected in Shanghai much before the beginning of August.



FRENCH MISSION  
AT LAW.Dispute with Nanyang  
Tobacco Co.

The Procureur-General in Hongkong of the Societe des Missions Etrangeres was the plaintiff in an interesting case against the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co., Ltd., of 165, Des Voeux Road Central, which commenced in the Supreme Court, before the Chief Justice (Sir Wm. Rees-Davies), this morning.

Plaintiff claimed to recover possession of that portion of section "A" of inland lot No. 2,147, previously leased to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China by the plaintiff, under a lease dated June 1st, 1918, which expired Aug. 31st, 1921. Defendants were the sub-lessees of the Chartered Bank. The action was brought on the ground that the premises did not come within the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

Secondly, plaintiff claimed to recover possession of such premises as were not now occupied by defendants' servants for domestic purposes, under Section 15 of Ordinance No. 13 of 1921.

Plaintiff asked the Court to fix such rent as the Court should think fit as the rent to be paid by the defendants for that portion occupied by defendants' servants for domestic purposes.

Plaintiff also claimed damages, at the rate of double the yearly value of the whole of the premises during the period of detention by virtue of 4 Geo. 2c. 28.

Alternatively, he asked the Court to fix such other rent than the standard rent as the Court should think fit as the rent to be paid in respect of the whole of the premises referred to in the first paragraph during the continuance of the Rents Ordinance, 1921.

Nanyang Brothers brought an action against plaintiff for specific performance of an agreement made between the parties, in which the Procureur-General in Hongkong of the Societe des Missions Etrangeres agreed to lease to Nanyang Brothers a certain portion of section "A" of inland lot No. 2,147 for the term of three years.

Mr. E. Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston) represented the Societe des Missions Etrangeres and Mr. G. K. Hall (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brunt) appeared on behalf of the Nanyang Tobacco Co.

At the outset, Mr. Potter explained that there were two writs, one issued by the plaintiff on Sept. 13th, 1921, in Summary Jurisdiction and the other issued by defendants on Sept. 13th, in Original Jurisdiction. On Feb. 18th, 1922, these actions were consolidated.

Coming to the facts, Mr. Potter continued, that by an agreement for a lease dated Sept. 4th, 1916, plaintiff agreed to let there premises in question—godowns in Caroline Road—to the Chartered Bank. The term of that lease was for two years, from Sept. 1st, 1916, and the rent was \$1,900 a month. There was an option of renewal for a period of either two or three years. That option was exercised on June 1st, 1918, and the premises were let for a further three years, from Sept. 1st, 1918, to Aug. 31st, 1921. Clause 8 of the agreement, Counsel mentioned, laid down that the premises should be used only for a factory, warehouse or dwelling house.

Although this agreement was made with the Chartered Bank, Counsel went on, the people who actually occupied the premises throughout were the defendants.

This lease with the Chartered Bank having expired on Aug. 31st, 1921, continued Counsel, the question arose as to the position of the defendants, who were the people in occupation. In the ordinary way they would be merely tenants at will, but they claimed by virtue of the Rents Ordinance that they had a statutory tenancy which was indefeasible as long as the Rents Ordinance lasted. Plaintiff's case was that defendants were outside the Rents Ordinance. They had been served with notice and must quit. Defendants said they were within the Rents Ordinance. Defendants said the buildings they occupied were a domestic tenement within the meaning of the Ordinance.

This case at the outset, Counsel continued, involved a construction of the Rents Ordinance. Counsel submitted that the Court should ascertain the exact mischief which the legislature was intended to remedy.

After reading some authorities on this point, Counsel continued that they would prove that the mischief which the Ordinance aimed at was the scarcity and increasing rents of private domestic dwellings, which rendered it difficult for people to get domestic dwellings and which acted as an inducement to owners of domestic dwellings to turn out tenants as soon as their leases expired. These tenants, turned out, had not a roof under which to live. That was the state of affairs at the time the Ordinance was passed and the difficult position was accentuated by the vast influx of Chinese into Hongkong, refugees from Canton.

The result was that houses became very scarce and the rents of such houses as were available became higher and higher. That was the mischief which the Rents Ordinance was passed to remedy.

They said most emphatically, continued Counsel, that whilst that was the object of the legislature towards private houses in which to live, it was not the object of the legislature in the passing of this Ordinance to provide cheap godowns, or offices, or factories, for trade or professional purposes. If his Lordship applied such Ordinance to the case he was trying he would see that the result of the case would be that his Lordship was giving to the defendants huge godowns and factories at a rent which was at the present time absurd, because he would be treating as a dwelling house buildings which had never been used as a dwelling house and which his Lordship had only to look at to see that they were not a dwelling house—they were factories and godowns. There were nine wooden beds but his Lordship had only to walk through the factory to see how absurd it was to call it a dwelling house because of these beds.

Describing the origin of the Ordinance, Counsel explained that a committee of the Legislative Council was appointed, with the Attorney-General as chairman, and as a result the Rents Ordinance was passed, to provide living houses at a fair rent.

Referring to the beds on the premises, Counsel contended that if two or three folks were living on premises that did not turn the place into a dwelling house. On the premises in question in an out-house Counsel explained, were nine Chinese beds, occupied by nine overseers. Nine overseers were given beds in this out-building, but in no sense was it a home or a dwelling. These men were living there for the purpose of their employer.

Mr. Potter said the owner of a godown could give a friend six feet square of space and turn it into a domestic tenement. It was quite simple to turn large factories into domestic tenements in that way. But that, Counsel contended, was not the intention of the legislature. If that was so there was not a building in Hongkong that was not a domestic tenement.

The case is proceeding as we go to press.

## WU PEI-FU'S SCHEME

## FOR DISBANDMENT.

Early Conference Proposed. Peking, June 24.—General Wu Pei-fu has sent a circular telegram to all the provinces asking their advice and help on the disbandment question. He asks for a conference of all Military Governors, Civil Governors, Defence Commissioners, from the provinces and from Peking he would have all the Ministers and Vice-Ministers. The purpose of this would be to establish a definite scheme for abolishing Tsuchun and disbanding superfluous troops. Among his suggestions is that all soldiers willing to go to their homes should receive three months' allowance.

Others wishing to join the police could be recruited for that purpose. All sick or crippled through their army service should be put in institutions to be cared for.

A central organization for this disbandment process will be in Peking with sub-offices throughout the provinces. General Wu would fix a definite time for the consummation. He mentions the four months as sufficient for making the preliminary investigation over the country, six months after which he would have the first disbandment made, with the final word accomplished ten months later. A National Army should be formed with the immediate preparation of a budget for the control of its finances. This National Army would be divided into military posts located in various Provinces.

TO-DAY'S  
MISCELLANY.

The Daily Chronicle chat column man is responsible for the following: To test the Oriental saying, "Women have no patience," take your sister—or any old fellow's sister you prefer—to spend a day at Lord's N.K.A. (no knitting allowed) should be of the essence of the contract. Should the girl be a cricket enthusiast so much the better for the experiment; it will give her a chance. Even then, the chances in favour of her yawning in the first hour, yawning with her feet all through the second, and remembering a shopping errand just after lunch are hundreds to one.

The custom of "running the brass," which has just been observed at a Border wedding, is probably connected with the ancient practice of running a race for ribbon, as still practised in the North, or, as it anciently was, for the bride's garter. It was customary for the bride to stand at the winning post and to award the first runner to meet her with a garter and a kiss. The usage dates back to a remote and barbarous antiquity, and is thought to be derived from the custom of the bridegroom, who could not obtain his bride without resistance from the youths of a tribe and buying them off.

The train, now restored to favour as part of Court dress, has been a feature of woman's dress from very early times. The Book of Precedence of 1680 deals with it, decreeing that a baroness is not entitled to have her train borne, but "ought to bear it herself," and another volume of the period records how even citizens' wives affected "gownes with traines which they pin up in the house." Even earlier mentions, too, can be found. Richard II.'s reign being supposed to be the time when they first came into vogue in England.

The probability of an alteration in our rule of the road for pedestrians raises the question of why the left was originally chosen as the correct side for wheeled traffic, remarks a London paper. The early driver is supposed to have chosen that side in order to have the necessary space in which to handle his whip with the right hand. But a still earlier trace of the rule is probably to be found, that keeping to the left would give the sword arm room for work on meeting a hostile person, and of course when mounted knights charged, lance in rest, they would necessarily keep to the left.

Mr. J. Oldham, who told the British Cold Storage Association that he has eaten an egg that had been 12 months in cold storage, apparently thought he had established an egg record. Certain members of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland know better. Some of these members inspect the Dublin Zoo every Saturday, and breakfast together. On one occasion eggs were on the menu, and were declared by the zoologists to be of exceptionally delicate flavour. They were somewhat surprised, however, to be told by Sir Charles Ball that the eggs they had eaten had been brought by him from China when touring the Far East forty years before.

Marwood, the hangman, whose fondness for the Castle Inn at Lincoln, now to be closed, gave the old place a curious fame, must have been a less reticent practitioner than another executioner, Colcraft, who also had a favourite inn, the Peacock, at Islington. There he had a special chair, and many went to see him, but they were careful to address him as "Mr. Smithson," and not only executions, but even crimes of all kinds and the resultant trials were rigorously excluded from all conversations in his presence. His favourite topic was the old mail coaches and their famous runs.

This, by a waggish London scribe.—Fishing in the Zambezi. Mr. George Graves, is merely a matter of dropping the line in. But for the crocodiles and hippopotami getting in the way of the fish there would be no difficulty at all. Probably George was provided with a notice, "Foot passengers must not cross the line." As he will probably tell us before long.

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Chite, June 20.—The German mission to the Far Eastern Republic arrived here and has been received by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Yanson. In a conversation, lasting an hour, the chairman of the mission, Dr. Asmis, informed Mr. Yanson of the tasks with which the German Government has authorized the mission to accomplish in the Far Eastern Republic.

Dr. Asmis, interviewed, said that his mission reached Irkutsk on May 31, where it made a stop for about eight days. The purposes of his mission is to get acquainted with the economic condition in the Far Eastern Republic, with the object of bringing about close economic connections between Germany and the Far Eastern Republic. During the war and after it, said Dr. Asmis, Germany has lost many markets, in which the manufactured goods of Germany's industry were formerly sold, as well as the sources of raw materials of which the German industries are in great need.

## AN ECONOMIC RAPPROCHEMENT.

The Russo-German agreement concluded at Rapallo, in Dr. Asmis' opinion, lays only a general structure of the relations between the two countries and opens the way for economic rapprochement between them. Russia is mostly an

agricultural country with inexhaustible resources, whereas Germany has very highly developed industry; thus Russia and Germany have to go hand in hand.

As to his task, Dr. Asmis said: "We have before us a great task of putting into effect the paragraphs and points of the Rapallo convention. It is quite natural that in this respect the interest which Germany has in Siberia and the Far Eastern Republic and in their innumerable riches will be directed at the beginning mainly to getting first-hand information. This will be the first task of the German mission to the Far Eastern Republic. The information about this Far Eastern Republic which has so far reached Berlin is very poor and inconsistent. The material which the mission will gather will be sent directly to Berlin."

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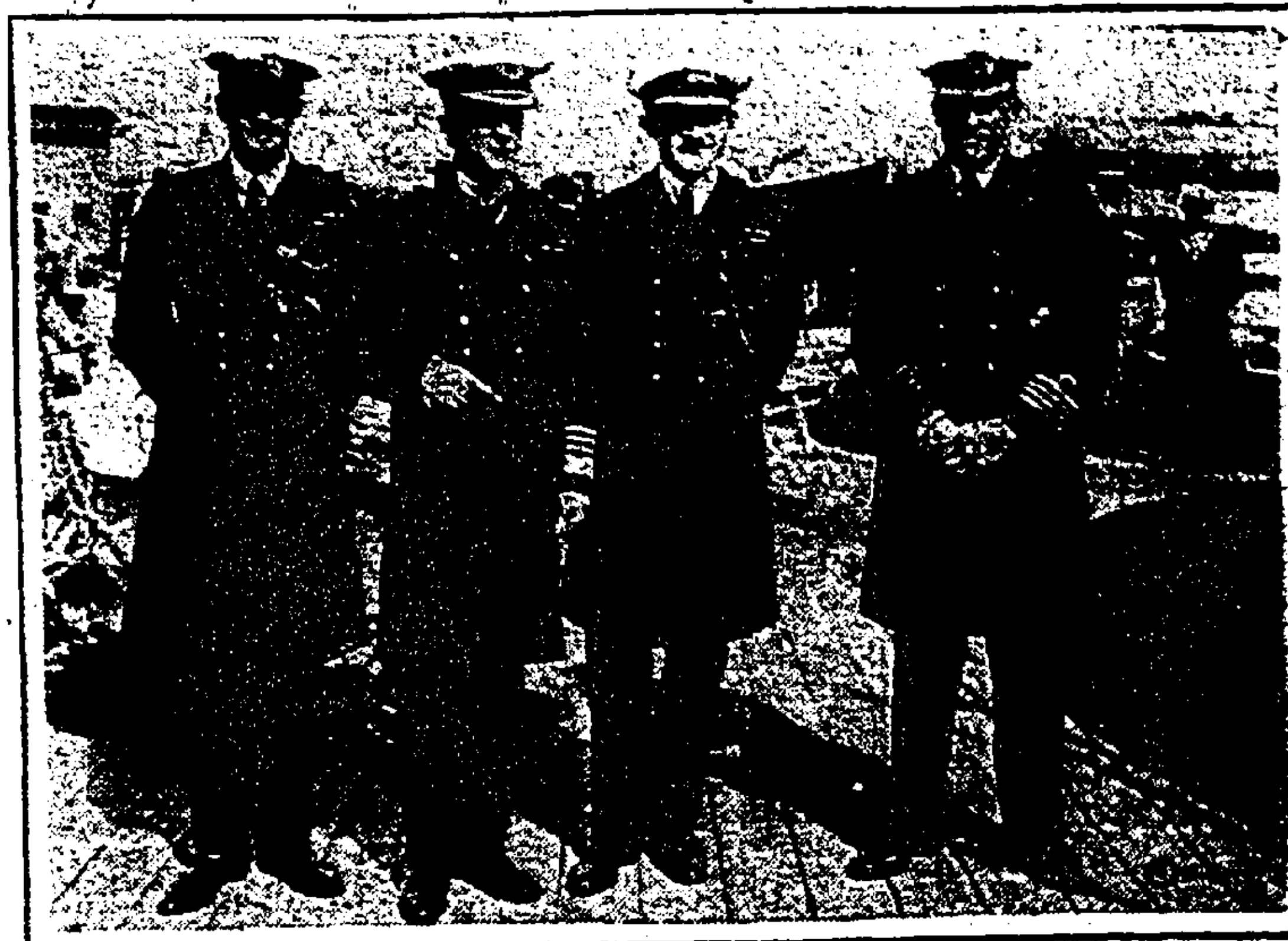
# CAMERA NEWS



Members of the Mt. Everest expedition, photographed outside the Mt. Everest hotel in Darjeeling in the Himalayas. Back row, left to right: Messrs. Crawford, Norton, Mallory, Summerville, Morshead and Wakefield. Seated: Finch, Bruce and Strutt.



General O'Duffy, Chief of Staff of the Irish Republican Army.



British naval officers visiting America. Left to right: Lieut. Curzon Howe; Admiral Sir William C. Packenham, fleet commander; Capt. S. R. Bailey, naval attache of British Embassy; Capt. A. R. Bromley, commander of the Raleigh.



These two orang-outans are part of the animal collection picked up by the Prince of Wales on his Indian tour.



A military band greeted President Ebert when he inspected the new German navy at Wilhelmshaven. Figures in the foreground are (left to right) Dr. Gessler, minister of defence, Admiral Bernke, chief of the admiralty, President Ebert and Vice-Admiral Von Bredow.



Mrs. Elliott Lyne, [Aberdeen] (Scotland) University champion athlete, finishing first in a half-mile run at Paddington Recreation Ground. Second is Miss Winnie Jones, 15.

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## COMMERCIAL NEWS.

## SHANGHAI SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. A. L. Anderson & Co. Shanghai, in their circular of 30th. June, state: We are addressing you one day earlier this week in consequence of the holidays on 1st. and 3rd. proximo. The week's work came near to being a featureless as many of its recent predecessors, but the similarity was averted on Thursday morning by the publication of a telegram concerning the probability of the restriction of rubber output by the Dutch Government. This started a somewhat brisk demand for Rubber shares, and prices, as will be seen overleaf, have somewhat advanced.—Debtors.—There is no change in the situation from that described last.—Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai. A few shares were secured at \$860, but the market in these is somewhat restricted one at the moment.—Insurance.—Cantons are wanted at H.K. \$440. North Chinas are nominal at Tls. 133 ex the dividend paid on 28th. instant. Unions. No sales were reported but buyers offer H.K. \$205 while shares are obtainable at H.K. \$209. Yangtzes are wanted at \$219. Docks, and Engineering.—Shanghai are a little stronger, closing at 114½ after sales at 112. It is generally accepted that the final dividend will be declared as Tls. 6 making Tls. 9 for the year. New Engineering, somewhat neglected of late, are now required for at 7¼ while holders ask 8.—Cotton Mills.—There is a better tone in this market owing to the fact that the June Settlement was safely negotiated. Ewos are wanted at 14¼ while Orientals are wanted at 13½ and Shanghai Boshoku at 135.—Rubbers.—There is nothing to add to the remarks recorded above. Hope springs eternal in the human breast and it would require but a very small crack to make a very big boom. In all probability, however, the boom would be but short-lived, as it must not be forgotten that if the best possible news proved true, two years at least must elapse before the first dividends can materialize.—Miscellaneous.—Cults could be placed at 10½ and Trams "B" at 102. Gas shares after offering at 8 came to business at 26 and 25½. Telephones offer at 81, and Waterworks are wanted at 132½.

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YAGASAKI, KOBÉ &amp; YOKOHAMA.

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
BANGKOK via Hoibow	Chunsang	Wed. 12th July at 8 a.m.
ANTUNG via Chefoo	Yusang	Wed. 12th July at noon.
HAIPHONG via Hoibow	Leesang	Thur. 13th July at d'light.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Chosang	Thur. 13th July at noon.
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai	Walshing	Fri. 14th July at noon.
MANILA	Yusang	Fri. 14th July at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kumsang	Sat. 15th July at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	Thur. 20th July at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Tingsang	Fri. 21st July at noon.
KOBÉ & Yokohama	Hosang	Sun. 23rd July at d'light.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Mon. 24th July at noon.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Fri. 28th July at noon.
KOBÉ	Laisang	Sun. 30th July at d'light.

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
SWATOW, SHAI & TTAO	Yingchow	11th July at 2 p.m.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	Yunnan	11th July at 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Soochow	13th July at 9 a.m.
W'WEL C'FOO & T'SIN	Kueichow	16th July at d'light.
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Tungus	Tidemann	TUES. 11th July at noon.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

WOOSUNG QUARANTINE BEACON ABOLISHED.

The quarantine surveying-beacon, hitherto situated on Chungpaosha and known as the Whangpo (Woo-sung), has been discontinued. A new surveying-beacon (a pole with a spherical daymark), to be known as Point Beacon, has been established on the right bank of the Yangtze, 4.33 miles S. 72° 40' E. magnetic, from Woosung Lighthouse.

**SHANGHAI CHINESE AND MACAO.** At a mass meeting organized by the Shanghai Chinese Citizens' Diplomatic Association, Macao was the absorbing topic of the addresses, which were reported at great length in Chinese newspapers. The resolutions were stronger than usual. One was that the Government should be urged to cancel immediately the Sino-Portuguese Treaty, and to demand immediate punishment of the Portuguese authorities.

NEW P. AND O. LINE.

The *Burnaby*, a one-class passenger steamer of the P. & O. Branch Line, recently ran a series of satisfactory trials on the completion at the Belfast yard of Messrs. Harland and Wolff, and has left her maiden voyage to Australia via the Cape. The fourth of this series of vessels, the *Burnaby*, has been delivered, and is to be followed by a sister ship, the *Reading*. These will bring the P. & O. Branch Line fleet to a total of nine modern vessels in commission aggregating 111,075 gross tons, or an average of 12,342 tons per ship. The P. & O. Branch Line's original fleet consisted of five vessels of the old Blue Anchor Line, taken over by the P. & O. Company in 1910, of a total of 29,600 tons, or an average of 5,920 tons gross. The Commonwealth, the last surviving vessel of the original fleet, has recently been withdrawn from service.

SUCCESS OF THE MAURETANIA.

OIL-FIRING.

Advocates of the system of oil firing for ocean liners are enthusiastic over the recent performance of the Cunard liner *Mauretania*, which was recently converted from coal to oil burning. She created two new records on a recent homeward voyage from New York, making the passage in 5 days & hours 35 minutes, at an average speed of 25 1/4 knots, which was the fastest run since the war, and maintaining a speed of 27 1/2 knots for a considerable period, which was better than her own and the world's previous record. There can be doubt regarding the success of the new installation, which has thus added a bar to the Atlantic blue ribbon already in the possession of this liner. In view of this accomplishment and also of the splendid way in which the *Aquitania* has been running since her conversion, the performance of the *Berengaria*, which was recently similarly equipped on the Tyne, will be watched with keen interest.

THE HOME SITUATION.

It may be interesting to give a few facts regarding the situation as it was reported to be at Home during the first week in May, when it was estimated that nearly three thousand certificated deck and engineer officers were seeking employment abroad. Of these, it was estimated roughly that twenty per cent were masters, 30 per cent chief officers, 30 per cent second and third officers, and the remaining twenty per cent marine engineers of various grades. It may appear strange in view of the fact that the number of engineers employed on ocean-going vessels is as great as, if not greater than, the number of deck officers, that the engineers said to be seeking employment are outnumbered by deck officers by about four to one. This may be explained by the fact that the average marine engineer, before he obtains his marine certificate, has served four years ashore on work connected with machinery, and in the event of his being out of employment, has a greater field of application than the deck officer. The result is that very many of the marine engineers who were thrown out of sea-employment by reason of the slump and other conditions, have presumably obtained engineering employment ashore, pending a return to normal conditions. To be out of the sea for a long time is usually a specialist's position, so far as the employment of temporary engineers is concerned, than that of the permanent ones. Shipping



## THE LUSHAN LOOTING.

## Mission Buildings Destroyed.

Hanchow, Honan, June 17.—A little band of Norwegian Lutheran missionaries who had been at Lushan since the destruction of their mission buildings by bandits have passed through such terrible experiences that even after two weeks they scarcely can sleep so deeply as the horrible details of the seeking of the city been burned into their memories. All is gone that they built up through so many years: their buildings, burned, records destroyed, converts killed or scattered, some still being held for ransom by the outlaws, and a once flourishing city practically reduced to ashes.

While the missionaries are full of plans for the future and accuse only the bandits for their unfortunate plight, the Chinese refugees are more outspoken and blame the so-called Christian General Feng Yihsiang. He, say the Chinese, sits in Kaifeng making laws for the abolition of the liquor traffic and writing edicts of banishment against "sing-song" girls, while bandits terrorise the countryside and loot inoffensive cities, his own soldiers opening the gates to the bandits and the Chinese charge, sharing in the loot.

## SOLDIERS TAKE \$4,000 TO OPEN GATES.

According to the missionaries, this charge of opening the gates of the city is well founded, the soldiers in charge of the city having accepted a bribe of \$4,000 to let in the marauders who, despite their numbers, were poorly armed and could have been frightened away by a show of force by the soldiers. But they chose the more profitable course and stood by while the most terrible crimes jangling the pitiful pieces of silver were enacted under their eyes, in their pockets.

The bandits made their attack at 3 o'clock in the morning. When the gates swung open to their silver key, the force of between 3,000 and 4,000 scattered in small bands, bearing torches, the deeds of rapine and robbery which those flickering torches lighted are too vile and all too terrible to be detailed in your columns. Hal the city put up a stout defence, no more terrible vengeance could have been wreaked upon the people.

The main street of shops was soon a shambles, as the slightest protest on the part of merchants was met with instant death, while many who tried to conceal their money and more valuable wares were tortured until they gave up the secret and then ruthlessly slain. The torch was then applied to whatever the bandits did not want to carry away and smoke of innumerable fires rose as the funeral pyres of the dead merchants whose apprentices dared not attempt to save even the little that was left or extinguish the blaze.

## ANSWERTORY OF "FOREIGN DEVIL"

The bandits preserved some semblance of military discipline as they were led by officers of the troops of the late Tschun of Honan, Chao Heng-tai. But this discipline showed only in their answer to rallying cries when some resistance was encountered. Such was the case when a party of them found the gates of the Norwegian Lutheran Mission barred.

In the mission compound was collected the wives and families of the Chinese Christians who had hoped some modicum of safety might arise from the general fear of the Chinese desperado to attack foreigners. This was not the case for the rallying cry "Yang Kwai-tzu" (foreign devils) arose and the bandits gathered in force for their hellish work.

It was the work of a moment to bring up a huge log from a nearby timberyard and with this improvised battering ram, the gates soon yielded. The missionaries inside the compound were prepared for instant death, but some higher power held the bandits' hands and gave a respite in which they pleaded for the lives of their converts.

The missionaries included Mr. and Mrs. F. Fredericksen and Miss M. Staurset. The Fredericksens have a baby four months old. With the baby clasped in her arms, Mrs. Fredericksen wandered through their quarters opening bureau drawers and handing over the family's small store of valuables, finally stripping off her wedding ring when the bandit chieftain demanded more loot.

## FOREIGN WOMAN IS MADE CAPTIVE.

Miss Staurset suffered likewise, handing over her personal belongings even to her clothing, the bandits waving their blazing torches at her hair as they demanded more and more loot. Then they roped her with one of the Chinese Christian women, and with a hundred other captives proceeded to the North ern Suburb shouting all manner of threats of nameless indignities in the ears of the unfortunate women.

Mrs. Fredericksen and her baby then were taken away, despite the pleas of her husband that the family be kept together. He also was made a prisoner and after two days' captivity, succeeded in getting audience with the bandit chief. His argument that he and his wife and baby and Miss Staurset be released to avert possible foreign complications, finally was heard and the little band of missionaries made their way back to the once prosperous scene of their labours.

## SCENE OF DESOLATION GREETS THEIR RETURN.

Then back they made their way from the mountain den of the brigands to find utter ruin and desolation where only three days before had been peace and prosperity. The city streets still had here and there an unburied corpse. From every household rose lamentations for those whom the bandits had carried away into captivity and whose ransom must be paid even though they had been stripped of all their goods and gear.

Reaching the mission, their hearts quailed at the scene of destruction. Most of the buildings burned, books and furniture scattered and destroyed or broken beyond further use, with here and there a wisp of smoke ascending from some dying spark that well might symbolise their hopes.

Then they sent a telegram couched in language more urgent than polite, addressed to the Christian General, telling him in what plight his brother Christians had fallen due to the remnants of his late enemy's forces that still were at large to prey upon the unarmed and helpless. Help came a few days later, but with it came a message from the bandits, saying:

## BANDITS THREATEN EVEN WORSE VENGEANCE.

"We shall return and take our new vengeance upon those who called the troops to restrain us. Heed this and tremble."

Word was sent to Peking where it is understood the Norwegian Legation has taken the matter up with the authorities. Most of the Chinese Christians who were not killed outright or made to follow in train of the bandit chieftain, his triumphal trophy of captives, escaped to Hanchow, some four score li to the eastward. No word of a punitive expedition has as yet come from Kaifeng where the Christian General has his headquarters.

## MILLIONAIRE FOR EVERY TEN PERSONS.

Paradox of Bankrupt Austria. An ingenious and daring statistician has estimated how many millionaires there are in the bankrupt Republic of Austria.

The calculation suggests at least 600,000—and the total population of the country is only 6,000,000!

This figure includes only those who possess more than one million in actual money—for the Austrian krona, depreciated from its pre-war standard by at least a thousandfold, is still regarded as "money."

Taking property in goods as the test, then the total would have to be fixed much higher. The owner of a new suit of clothes, good linen, a few pairs of shoes, a fur-lined overcoat, one or two rings and some books would find himself an Austrian millionaire, if he changed his property into money.

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Export manufacturers are paid in the money of the countries to which the goods are sent. It is mostly these who, in consequence of the later depreciation of the krona, form the "millionaire" class.

## EXCHANGE.

Opening Rate: Closing Rate on Page 11.  
SELLING.

1/11	27 1/4
10 d/s	27 1/4
30 d/s	27 1/4
4 m/s	27 1/4
1/11 Shanghai	Nom.
1/11 Singapore	112
1/11 Japan	121
1/11 India	129 1/2
Demand, India	—
1/11 San Francisco	58
1/11 New York	58
1/11 Java	152
1/11 Manila	Nom.
1/11 France	740
Demand, Paris	—

## BUYING.

1 m/s L/C	28 1/4
1 m/s D/P	28 1/4
3 m/s L/C	28 1/4
30 d/s Sydney and Melbourne	28 1/4
30 d/s San Francisco and New York	59 1/2
4 m/s Marks	Nom.
1 m/s France	745
3 m/s France	745
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	58 1/2
1/11 Bombay	—
Demand, Bombay	199 1/2
1/11 Calcutta	—
Demand, Calcutta	199 1/2
1 m/s Yokohama	121
Demand, Manila	117 1/2
Demand, Singapore	112
Demand, Batavia	152
1 m/s Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	50 1/2
Sovereign	7.55
Gold leaf per Tael	36 1/4
1 m/s Silver, ready forward	36 1/4
Bank of England rates	31 1/2
New York/London	4.43 1/2

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Canton sub. coins	19 1/2 dis

Hongkong, July 10, 1922.

## WEATHER REPORT.

July 10d. 11h. 40m.—Warning to Hongkong Coast Ports of Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 60 miles of Lat. 12° N. Long. 123° E. moving W.N.W.

July 10d. 12h. 30m.—Pressure is highest over the Bonins. It has decreased considerably over N.E. Japan and slightly over the Visayas. It has increased moderately over Formosa.

Depressions lie to the N.E. of Japan, over Tongking, and over the Visayas. The last named may develop into a typhoon.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, .93 inch. Total since January 1st, 27.61 inches, against an average of 42.92 inches.

## FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	
2 Hongkong to Gap Rock	
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks	E. winds, moderate; fair.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.  
H.K. Observatory, July 10, 1922.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date	on date
Barometer	29.65	29.69
Temperature	84	81
Humidity	79	87
Wind Direction	E	E
Wind Force	3	2
Weather	o	op
Rain	0.71	0.00
Highest open air		
Temperature on the 9th	84	
Lowest open air		
Temperature on the 10th	78	

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H.K. Observatory, June 10.

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## RIVER LEVELS.

As a guide to shipmasters and others interested in the water levels of the river we have been requested by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung to publish the following table of water levels. The levels are taken at 10 a.m. each day.

Place of Observation	Highest W. L. ever recorded	Lowest W. L. ever recorded	W. L. July 6	W. L. July 7
Wuchow, West River	+79.50	-2.42	31.00	29.00
Kongmoon, "	+14.70	-0.80	8.90	7.50
Linkoohow, North "	+37.00	0	10.00	11.50
Samsui, "	+27.25	-3.00	11.80	10.10
Shenkung, East "	+15.15	-0.95	4.30	3.90

## TIDE TABLE.

10th. to 16th. July, 1922.

Day	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 10	9 30	7 2
Tue. 11	11 38	4 3
Wed. 12	1 47	5 4
Thur. 13	3 56	6 5
Fri. 14	5 6	8 6
Sat. 15	7 1	10 1
Sun. 16	9 1	12 1

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## TIME TABLE.

## WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	15 min.
9.00 " " 11.00 " "	15 min.
11.00 " " 12.30 " "	15 min.
12.30 " " 2.30 " "	15 min.
2.30 " " 4.30 " "	15 min.
4.30 " " 6.30 " "	15 min.

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7.45 " " 9.00 a.m.	15 min.
9.00 " " 11.30 a.m.	15 min.
11.30 " " 12.30 noon	15 min.
12.30 " " 1.30 p.m.	15 min.
1.30 " " 4.00 p.m.	15 min.
4.00 " " 6.10 p.m.	15 min.

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